1998

January

Drams of Jrish Mist and Lagavulin 16 y.o. at Jos & Wim, Rheden

Drams of **Lagavulin 16 y.o.** and **Talisker 10 y.o.** at Christine, Sunningdale

Last dram from the bottle of Aberlour 10 y.o. (lasted 3 years)

Dram of Glenmorangie 10 y.o. at Karsten & Chris, Bracknell

Last dram from the half-bottle of **Jameson** (lasted 2 years and 6 months)

Opened a half-bottle of Glenlivet 12 y.o. at home

Dram of **Caol Jla 15 y.o. Flora & Fauna** at home, from bottle brought by Richard Fields

February

Dram of Glenfiddich Special Old Reserve at Karsten & Chris, Bracknell



Opened a bottle of <u>Edel Falcke</u> (hard, strange clear sweetish and then drier, 1-dimensional) at home

Opened a bottle of Mekong (soft, sweetish-spirity, orangey) at home; pressie from Christine from Thailand

Dram of **Johnnie Walker Black Label 12 y.o.** at 'Dale Lodge Road', Sunningdale

101 whiskies, of which 70 single malts (1 new-make) plus 4 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

March

Dram of <mark>Glendronach 15 y.o. Sherry Cask</mark> (strong sherry) at Silwood; bottle from Richard Fields

Drams of Talisker 1986 Distillers Editon (peatiness under a rich heavy layer) and Lagavulin 1979 Distillers Edition (rather soft, no trace of Jslay) on tasting stand at Heathrow airport

Opened a bottle of Knights (rancid butter, hard) at home; brought back from South Africa by Richard Fields

Last dram from the 'empanada' bottle of **Bowmore 12** y.o. (lasted 5 months)

Dram of Jnishowen (very light, little taste, no finish) at Markus Frischknecht, Sunningdale

Opened bottles of Black Cat (cologne) and VO (ditto) at home; pressies from Christine from Thailand

Dram of Oban 14 y.o. at Steph & Jan, Sunningdale

Opened a bottle of Bowmore Cask Strength at home

108 whiskies, of which 73 single malts (1 new-make) plus 4 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

April

Last dram from the bottle of *Cragganmore 12 y.o.* (lasted 2 years and 9 months)

Drams of **Bunnahabhain 12 y.o.** and **Talisker 10 y.o.** at Christine, Sunningdale



Brought a bottle of Laphroaig 10 y.o. Original Cask Strength to Texel in celebration of Jos & Wim's 30th anniversary. Needless to say, with Wouter and Rob around, the bottle didn't survive the weekend

May

Dram of Laphroaig 10 y.o. at Christine, Sunningdale

Last dram from the bottle of Ardbeg 1974 – 22 y.o.; Gordon & MacPhail (lasted 10 months)

Dram of Bell's 8 y.o. at Karsten & Chris, Bracknell

Opened a bottle of **Red Devil** (mulled wine, strong cinnamon nose, sweetish, slightly peppery) at home

108 whiskies, of which 73 single malts (1 new-make) plus 5 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

June

Dram of Oban 14 y.o. at Jnge, Vancouver

July

Last dram from the bottle of Auchentoshan 10 y.o. (lasted 3 years and 5 months)

Dram of Talisker 10 y.o. at Angela & Grenville, Sunningdale

Drams of **Bowmore 17 y.o.** and **Bowmore 21 y.o.** (strong peat, but surprisingly soft) at Karsten & Chris, Bracknell



Drams of Glenlivet 12 y.o., Bunnahabhain 12 y.o. and Laphroaig 10 y.o. at Christine, Sunningdale. As she's been one of the commonest entries in my log so far, here's what a typical night "at Christine, Sunningdale" looks like!

109 whiskies, of which 74 single malts (1 new-make) plus 5 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

August

Dram of <mark>Macallan 10 y.o.</mark> (rich, full, sherry) at James & Sally, South Ascot

Dram of Lagavulin 16 y.o. at James & Sally, South Ascot

Last dram from the bottle of Michel Couvreur 12 y.o. (lasted 1 year and 1 month)

Dram of Glen Ord 12 y.o. at Karsten & Chris, Bracknell

110 whiskies, of which 75 single malts (1 new-make) plus 5 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

September

Drams of **Bunnahabhain 12 y.o.** and **Laphroaig 10 y.o.** at Christine, Sunningdale

October

Dram of Cragganmore 12 y.o. at Eklundshof, Uppsala; bottle from Minus

Last dram from the bottle of Jsle of Jura 10 y.o. (lasted 1 year and 8 months)

November

Last dram from the bottle of **Bushmills 16 y.o.** Three Woods (lasted 1 year)

Opened a bottle of Old Eight (whisky, but barely) at home

Opened a mini from Christine & Enrique's birthday-pack at home: Singleton of Auchroisk 1981 (rather sharp and thin, bit bitter, short finish)

Last dram from the bottle of **Old Fettercairn 10 y.o.** (lasted 3 years and 9 mths)

112 whiskies, of which 76 single malts (1 new-make) plus 5 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

December

Dram of Lagavulin 16 y.o. at Enrique's promotion party, Sunningdale

Dram of Bunnahabhain 12 y.o. at Christine, Sunningdale

Dram of Te Bheag (drinkable, sweetish) at Wilma & Rob, Zoetermeer

Dram of Macallan 10 y.o. 100 proof (rich, full, intense sherry) at Marianne & Kees, Oegstgeest

114 whiskies, of which 77 single malts (1 new-make) plus 5 'edge of whisky' spirits and 3 whisky liqueurs

